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ITALY.

Report from Naples.

Naples, Italy, September 16, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended September

14, 1901, the following ship was inspected:

September 12, the steamship Citta di Torino, of the Veloce Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 749 steerage passengers and 220 pieces of large baggage. Nine hundred and fourteen pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam.

Smallpox.

During the week ended September 14, 1901, there were officially reported at Naples 57 cases of smallpox, with 6 deaths.

Plague in Egypt.

Under date of September 9, 1901, it was reported that there were 7 cases of bubonic plague in Egypt, 4 at Mit Gamr, 2 at Alexandria, and 1 at Port Said. Since April 7, 1901, the beginning of the epidemic, there have been in all 141 cases, with 66 deaths.

Respectfully,

J. M. EAGER, Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The Surgeon-General,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Further concerning plague in Naples.

[Cablegram.]

Naples, Italy, October 1, 1901.

Acting under your instructions. There have been 15 Naples plague since September 7.—EAGER.
The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

MEXICO.

Report from Progreso concerning the Ethelbryhta.

Progreso, Mexico, September 10, 1901.

SIR: In reply to your communication of August 24, containing a communication from Dr. Doty in regard to the death of a member of the crew of the steamship Ethelbryhta, upon arrival in quarantine in New York, will state that the bill of health of the Ethelbryhta was issued on August 14, and at that time no case of sickness of any class was The vessel did not sail until the next day on account of delay in delivery of cargo.

A supplemental bill of health was issued, as the original was issued

in Tampico.

At the time of leaving of this vessel there was the steamship Mathilde at the adjoining wharf, about 100 yards away, with 1 case of yellow fever aboard, as was reported in my letter of August 16.

The Ethelbryhta may have become infected in Tampico with the pre-

vailing paludic infection or might have contracted it in this port.

The steamship Mathilde, that had the yellow fever cases aboard while

the *Ethelbryhta* was in this port, also was from Tampico via Vera Cruz, and I am certain that the infection of the *Mathilde* was not contracted here, as the time of the beginning of the sickness was six days after arrival, while the vessel was anchored about 3 miles offshore (no member of the crew having been ashore).

Respectfully,

S. W. Hodgson,

Acting Assistant Surgeon, U.S. M. H.S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S Marine-Hospital Service.

NICARAGUA.

Report from Bluefields—Fruit port.

Bluefields, Nicaragua, September 19, 1901.

SIR: I have to make the following report of the conditions and transactions at this port during the week ended September 18, 1901:

Population, according to census of 1894, 3,000; present officially estimated population, 4,000. Number of cases and deaths from yellow fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from smallpox during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from typhus fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from cholera during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from plague during the week, none; number of deaths from other causes during the week, 2. Prevailing diseases, mild type of malarial fever and dysentery. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week has been good. The 2 deaths herein above noted occurred in this port, viz, a colored male aged 8 years, from malarial fever, and a Chinaman, aged 48 years, from abscess of liver. Twenty one inclosures—ship and passenger certificates.

Bill of health was issued to the following vessel: September 13, steam-

Bill of health was issued to the following vessel: September 13, steamship *Hiram*; crew, 15; passengers from this port, 20; passengers in transit, none; pieces of baggage disinfected, 39.

Respectfully,

WM. H. CARSON,

Acting Assistant Surgeon. U.S. M. H. S.

The Surgeon-General,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Smallpox at Halifax on the schooners Thalia and Goodwin.

[Telegram.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., September 24, 1901.

The following telegram was received yesterday from United States consul-general at Halifax: "Schooner *Thalia*, 7 more cases smallpox, 1 died. Schooner *Goodwin* arrived, 2 cases. Schooner in quarantine; crew landed."

DAVID J. HILL, Acting Secretary.

Hon. SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY.